IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
• •	:	Examiner: Diana B. Johannsen
NOBUKO YAMAMOTO, et al.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 1634
Application No.: 10/810,550)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 1679
Filed: March 29, 2004)	
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For: INFECTIOUS ETIOLOGIC AGENT)	
DETECTION PROBE AND PROBE	:	
SET, CARRIER, AND GENETIC)	
SCREENING METHOD	:	
)	December 15, 2010

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

$\frac{\text{AMENDMENT SUBMITTED WITH RCE}}{\text{AND}}$ STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

Prior to further examination of the above-identified application, for which a Request for Continued Examination is being filed concurrently herewith, and in response to the final Office Action dated September 10, 2010, the period for response to which having been extended to January 10, 2011 by the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: